

The true reporte of the prosperous successe  
which God gaue vnto our English Souldiours a-  
gainst the forraine bands of our Romaine enemies , lately arived,  
(but sone inough to theye cost) in Ireland, in the yeare 1580.

Gathered out of the Letters of moste credit and  
circumstaunce, that haue beeene sent ouer, and more at large  
set forth then in the former printed Copie. 4.

For a singuler comfort to all godly Christians, & true harted sub-  
iectes, and an exceeding encouragement to them to persist valiantly in  
their true Religion and faithe towards God , their due obedience and  
leue to their Prince, and to repose their whole assured confidence  
in the strengthe of the Almighty, as moste safe vnder  
the Shielde of his protection.

Seene and allowed.



Imprinted at London for Edward White , dwelling at the little North  
doore of Paules Church, at the signe of the Gunne.

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The transverse type bolognesiines (incertae sedis) are represented by *B. transversus* (Fig. 10).

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*Et in libere sicut loquitur et dicitus tuus horum in Q  
egnibus vestibus, tunc non credam quod nunc possim illas  
impeditum est quod dicitur quod dicit.*

-dol liuridum 10, asellis 10, y bog le cricidus 10, p. 10  
ni ymralav filisq. et modis estinung grecos subversos. magis.  
Cunctisq. que sunt, eoductis et ad hanc totam. H. vixit 10  
conspicua: Cunctisq. sicuti plagi mortales ducuntur, ut  
erit q. illas, quae, quod q. illas, q. illas, q. illas, q. illas,  
q. illas, q. illas, q. illas, q. illas, q. illas, q. illas, q. illas,

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...and the following year he became a member of the New York Stock Exchange.

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WHO wayeth well each point of this discourse,  
How crooked hap encounters canckred minde:  
How rightfull cause subdueth wrongfull force,  
How he is caught that layes the snare: shall finde  
Naught bootes it then to trust to any ods,  
Who Giantlike doo fight against the Gods.

To rob all Princes of their rule and right,  
God of the glory due to him alone;  
Man of his soule, and Sathan of his might,  
To boulter Rebels against their Princes thrones:  
To seeke Gods truthe and Gospell to suppresse.  
Let all men judge if this be bolyneſſe.

O Roome, the roome, where all outrage is wrought,  
The Sea of lierne, the beast with ſevenfold head:  
The Shop wherin all shame is ſould and bought,  
The Cup whence poison through the world is ſped:  
Well maſt thou draw the ſimple with a Dreme,  
And ween to wiue, yet ſtrive againſt the ſtreame.

VWho fauours, feares, or follows wiþ defaute,  
Thy ſtate, thy strength, thy vaine and wicked reaſon:  
Deserues, diſlikes, and diuily dooth acquire,  
The ſword, thy ſwaye, deſtruſion for his meed:  
Let Pope, let Turke, let Sathan rage their fill:  
God keepeth vs, if we doo keepe his will.

*Eſto Honor & gloria Domini.*

## To the Reader.



Because there go many and divers reports  
of the late conflict in Ireland, proceeding of  
sundry Letters sent ouer, which, although  
they agree in effect and substance of the  
matter, yet haue not euery one the same,  
nor any one the whole circumstance of the manner  
thereof : And hauing considered how that it is not  
only vsuall among the people, to be desirous to know  
newes, but also necessary that this happy newes  
should be knownen vnto all (as well to the true religious  
and obedient subject, for his comfort, as to the super-  
sticious disloyall reculant, for his bitter dismayng and  
confusion) : I haue thought it not amiss to bestow some  
light paines of my little leisure, by gathering one sound  
discourse out of those sundry fragmentts which haue  
come to my hands, some presented vnto me in writing  
out of Ireland, and some imparted vnto me (by the ad-  
vertisements of men of good credit) out of those letters  
which were sent vnto her Maestie, the true collec-  
tion whereof I present vnto the well affected  
Reader, in such order as the time would  
serve me to dispose them.

(. . .)

## Newes out of Ireland.



He enimies lying (as it seemed) very surely entrenched in the Forte which they had made, which they called, *Il Castel del Oro*, and sufficiently manned with Soldiers, to withstand a farre greater force then our Englishmen were, they being in number sixe hundred within the Forte, and our men but eight hundred abroade : which is a verie unequall match (as they knowe well, which are skylfull, and haue bene exercised in those assayres) considering the odds of place, the one being vnder couert, well fortisled, and hauing they; Ordinaunce, placez at all aduaantage, the other naked, vtterly without munition, or opportunity of placing any Ordinaunce, whereby to auoyde they; enimies, beeing them selues continually subject to their annoyauance. The Lord Deputie, being (in so great disadvantage) almost in dispayze of doing any god, was some re-

The Swift  
comforted with the happy arriuall of the Queenes Shippes, sure, one  
which it is to be thought that the verie great and wonderfull of the  
providence of God (quite beside their expectation) sent thither Queenes  
so luckily for their succour. They beeing arriuied, there were  
certayne great Peices brought out of the Shippes, and a  
Trench made, & that great Ordinaunce planted about fowre therick ebit.  
hundred paces from the enimies Forte, to batter it : which daies before  
Ordinaunce was so well pleyed all that day (beeing the ninth the rest of  
of November) that they galled the enimie greuously, and her fellows  
beat them away from plying they; Ordinaunce, in which

On the tenth day in the moorning, they cast an other Trench  
for small shotte, within an hundred, and three score paces. Shot a  
of the Forte, and began a fleshe batterie, and espying cer, day, and  
tayne Peices within the Forte, that were lyke to annoy the  
Campe, planted they; Ordinaunce against them, and dis-  
mounting two of they; Demicanons, brake and defeated the man.  
rest, to the number of fourtene or fiftene great Peices. And  
the same night made a third Trench for small shotte, within  
a hundred and twenty pace of the Forte. Afterward percey-  
ing that the Spanish Musket shot was the hottest, and espy-  
ing a house of boordes, where they were bestowed : they beat

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that downe with the Ordinance, and scattered the Muskets : Which done, the enimies finding them selues thus dismembred, and utterlie dispoysed of theyr cheare force, wherefo they trusted: beganne to chaunge theyr countenaunce, and hung out theyr banners of Truce, quietly calling for Parle. Then issued out a b;auie Italian, who beeing demaunded by my Lord Deputie, who sent him thither: answered. The holy Father: Will you (sayd my Lord) adventure in the seruice of a shauenling, an Antichrist, a murtherer bothe of soule & body, against such a Prince as my Mistresse is? You shall haue the iust reward of your seruice. And requiring him to bring sworth the cheare of the Spaniardes, he asked the sayd Spaniarde, who sent him thither: He sayd he could not tell. Whether the King of Spaine: He sayd no: Whether with the Kinges know ledges: He answered no: But (sayd he) at Porto in Portugall, the Gouernor there comauanded me, to goe to such a place, where I shold receyue my chardge, which I dyd, but whether I shold goe, or against whome I knew not, and so b;ought to this place as blindsidlo, and (as I see now) vterly betrayed. Then (quoth my Lord) if you be not sent by the King, you come as a runnagate, and must receyue the lyke hyer. They desiring to depart with the hono; of Soldiers, it was denied them. Then rcoloued they to surrendre vpon the foote, to yelde theyr money and Jewels, and other things of price, into the Lord Deputies handes, and them selues to his mercy: Wherof he accepting, receyued thise of them pledges vntyll the next morning. When according to that conclusion, they returned, and the cheare of them (whome it is needless to name, they onely remayning a lyue) to the number of twenty were saued. The rest to the number of fiftie hundred and sixe were slaine, and seuentene hanged. The poore English Soldiers that lacked hose & shooes, and were barely cloathed, by means of this medley, fould to apparcill them, *Al modo Italiano*. Wine and Bisket they met with god stoe, and other victuals for a god space: sywze thousand Armoz, with many god peaces, and (as they say) some reasonable share of Ecclesiasticall Italian money. In all this conflict there were onely two hurt of our men, whereof the one was Waister John Cheeke, who is thought unlikely to recover. Thus may we see how God figheth for vs, and subducth our enimies, who by all mans reason

Waister  
John Cheeke  
my Ladie  
Checkes  
fenne.

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son and likelyhood were not to be ouerthowme by ten times  
the number that our men were, in that vngreasonable in-  
qualitie of defence and furniture. For our men were in that  
opinion, that if they had bene within the forte so well ap-  
pointed of great and small shot as the enemies were, it would  
haue cost 10000. lyues before it would haue bene wonne.  
But by the god prouidence and assistance of God (notwith-  
standing their great aduantage) the Lord Deputie with his  
worthy endeuor by land, and our shippes (through their fortu-  
nate arriuall) by water did so coupe them vp on every side,  
that they could no way escape. They sayd that if our shippes  
had stayed but two dayes longer, out of that Harborough, they  
would haue bene gone. For at their first arriuall, there  
came syre sayle of them, being of men in number about 800.  
who so soone as they beheld the barrennesse of the Countrey,  
and the brutishnes of the people, two of the greatest shippes  
departed home againe, with about 300. men in them, and left  
the rest to take of the god entertainement that they looked  
for there: which (thanks be to God) they found not so satisfi-  
able to theyr wicked expecacion, as agreeable to their iust de-  
sarts, which would be incited by a blasphemous Antichristian  
Prelate, against a true zealous Christian Prince, wroting  
fully to inuade her rightfull inheritaunce and possessions, and  
to assist her disobedient and rebellious Subiects, against their  
most gracious renoumed soueraigne. Wherein, although  
the Popes holines forsooth followed the stolteys and exam-  
ple of his Predecessors, which haue bene euer sowers of sedi-  
tion, raisers of Rebellion, mainteyners of disobedience, Au-  
thors of infinite bloudshedding, which is euengrowne to be  
the Badge of their Catholike (or rather Cacolike) profession,  
and the true Cognisance of their holiness: yet these Gallants  
should haue had more wit, to haue looked or they had leapt,  
and sounded the depth, ere they had entred the shire of a soz-  
taine Princes dominion. But as theyr greedynes of gaine,  
or superstitious devotion towardes an infamous Idole,  
hath brought them to the shibwracke of theyr lyues (at  
the least) so hath their vnaudised rashnes utterly sunck, all  
excuse of theyr guiltines, and pittie of theyr unscaryng.  
They confessed unto my Lord Deputie, that the Pope theyr  
paymaster, whose Ensignes they spread on theyr forte, with

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his Crownes, Piters, Croskeyes, and other lyke trumperie, promised to send them a greater power, for which cause they brought much Treasure with them, being appoyted to stay for that supple, for which our Englishmen were not greatly soyle. It is reported that eyther they or other, were already comming at that tyme : for the fourteenth of Novembre, there was escrip a pynnis, towarde the coast of Irelande: but I take it to be rather an opinion or imagination of some coming, conceyued through that former report: then any true apparaunce of the verie persons appraching. Howsoever it be, it is no great matter, for our Soldiers stay there, and certayne of our Shippes this winter, to welcome them.

The Earle of Desimond, and his brother Iohn, were comming towards the reskew of the Spaniards & Italians: but hearing how the Forte was taken, and what was become of theye assistants, they thought it wisdome to beware by theye ex ample and to keepe them selues out of such sharpe clawes, and so retyred them backe, & are fled into the Mountaynes. Our god countrymā of the Devils owne dubbing, Doctor Saunders (an Apostata towards his Sauour, an Archtraytor to his Soueraigne) is there in the countrey, but where, it is vnknowen. One of his me was take in the Forte, & a Prest of that order, who were hanged & quartered in the Forte. Thus much hath bene certified out of Ireland, of what was done there before the fifteene day of Novembre last past. For which ioyfull and happy newes, let vs render harty thankes vnto our almighty protector, attributing the whole prayse thereof vnto his omnipotencie, beseeching him to preserue our most gratiouse Princes, vnder whose prosperous gouernment we haue receyued bothe this & other infinite blessings at his bands: to strengthen our god Captaines and Soldiours, with force and power to ouercome our bodily foes, and vs al with his grace, to withstand the assaultes of the Devil, and the tyranny of Antichrist his dearling (our spirituall enemy) & to serue our Redemer in true feare and holynesse, and his true Ministers with due loue and reverence, to be faithfull vnto him, louall to her Maiesie, lyke minded and charitable one to an other, to the glorie of his name: vnto whome all glorie, power, and dominion belongeth.

FINIS.

